

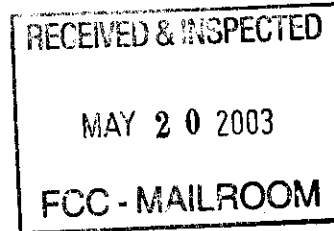


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**Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS**  
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This is to certify that Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc. will use its Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc. This certification is for the study area list below.

**Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc.--South Dakota--391685**

Signed,

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